LGBT TASKFORCE MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2008
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
INAMORI CENTER, #11A

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE
Sarah Andrews      Jerry Floersch      Dorothy Miller
Mayo Bulloch      Martha Gibbons      James Sellers
Jane Daroff       Ryan Keytack       Lynn Singer
Mitchell Delaney  Robert Kinsey      Michael Spivak
Donald Feke       Jennifer Lhotsky   Sarah Yarry

UNABLE TO ATTEND
Diana Bilimoria   Victor Groza       Susan Nickel-Schindewolf
Matthew Colon      Erica Merritt      Dean Patterson
Anne Duli          Glenn Nicholls    Patricia Princehouse

The meeting was called to order at 3:40 p.m. by Jerry Floersch, Co-Chair of the LGBT Taskforce.

1. LGBT CENTER PROPOSAL UPDATE

Lynn Singer and Marty Gibbons gave an update on the proposal that was submitted to the Maltz Foundation this past summer. The proposal that was submitted was reviewed with the committee. A location has not been determined but Glenn Nicholls, Vice President of Student Affairs, is researching for possible available space. There are also plans to submit applications to secure additional funding from other foundations. Specifically noted was the Bohnett Foundation. The entire taskforce has been encouraged to seek other streams of revenue and to report findings at the next LGBT Meeting.

2. MEMBERSHIP CHANGES TO LGBT TASKFORCE

There were changes to the student representation with an emphasis to add a student representative from the School of Medicine. There is also an interest to add a committee member from Alumni Affairs.

3. FACULTY AND STAFF FOR EQUALITY (FASE) SOCIAL EVENTS AND PLANS

There will be a happy hour planned for FASE on Friday, November 21, 2008. Details will be distributed via e-mail by co-chairs, Jes Sellers and Jane Daroff. In addition, there is an interest in working with another institution to have an event that would include a film/speaker and discussion among the attendees.
4. **New Business**

An area of development in LGBT programming that the taskforce is working on is with Lev Gonick, Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer, to develop a Second Life virtual world focused around “coming out” stories.

The taskforce would like to see an organized alumni group. The members will reach out to contacts to explore the development of this group with plans to have an official LGBT alumni group ready to meet during the 2009-2010 Alumni Weekend.

**Announcements:**

- Jane Daroff shared with the taskforce details about the Graduate students’ pizza party. There were approximately 115 people in attendance including President Barbara Snyder. President Snyder shared with those in attendance a few words regarding diversity on campus.
- Save the date for the 16th Annual HRC dinner on Saturday, March 28, 2009.
- The Flora Stone Mather Center for Women at CWRU and the Office of Developmental Programming at JCU present renowned author, educator, and film maker, Jackson Katz: The Macho Paradox on Tuesday, October 28th at 7:00p.m. at Strosacker Auditorium.
- Rob Kinsey shared with taskforce members the events sponsored by Spectrum for Fall 2008. He reminded them that the Spectrum Drag Ball will be Saturday, November 15, 2008.

The meeting adjourned @ 5:00 p.m.
Minutes by Jennifer Lhotsky.

**Next Meeting:**
**Wednesday, November 12th**
10:30a.m.-12:00p.m.
Adelbert Hall, Room 351